

There are many important key points to this bill that should and must be addressed, however I am not able to support the bill in its entirety due to the inclusion that allows the commission to issue cannabis on-premises consumption licenses. Slipping in this provision in the middle of the bill is dishonest. I have concerns that the important call for equity is being used to sneak in less regulation and easier consumption of THC. Oregon loses dozens of lives every year due to drug driving. Do we really want to encourage on-premises consumption of THC? The legal definition of how much marijuana can be consumed before driving has not been scientifically determined. The THC content in most cannabis products is much greater than 10 and even 5 years ago. We must use science and common sense. Sneaking in an on-premises consumption license is not the answer. When Oregon's approved recreational use of marijuana it was not by a huge margin. The majority of rural communities opposed the bill. The bill is now law. Our main concerns should include equity and protecting our youth and children. On-premise consumption is irresponsible and will cost more Oregonian lives. Please send this bill back and not allow race to be used for profit.